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**PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

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Sir:

The following extension of time is requested to further respond to the outstanding final Official Action dated December 21, 2002 and the Advisory Action dated July 2, 2002 :

one month to September 23, 2002 (September 21 and 22, 2002 being a Saturday and Sunday, respectively); the extension fee is:

☐ \$55.00 (215) ☒ \$110.00 (115).

☐ The shortened statutory period has been reset by an Advisory Action dated \_\_\_\_\_.

☒ An extension fee in the amount of \$ 110.00 is enclosed.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any appropriate fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.21 that may be required by this paper, and to credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 02-4800. This paper is submitted in duplicate.

Respectfully submitted,

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